

## Message Text

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INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK  
AMEMBASSY JAKARTA  
AMEMBASSY KUALA LUMPUR  
AMEMBASSY MANILA  
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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PFOR, RP, SN  
SUBJ: LEE KUAN YEW'S VISIT TO THE PHILIPPINES

REF: SINGAPORE 108

1. GOVERNMENT-INFLUENCED STRAITS TIMES (ST) ON JANUARY 17  
DEVOTED SOLE LENGTHY EDITORIAL TO PRIME MINISTER LEE'S VISIT  
TO THE PHILIPPINES. CAUTIONING THAT SIGNIFICANT BREAKTHROUGHS  
SHOULD NOT BE EXPECTED AS A RESULT OF THE MEETING, ST EDITORIAL  
STATED THAT RECIPROCAL VISITS BY ASEAN HEADS OF GOVERNMENT ARE  
INTENDED TO DEEPEN "UNDERSTANDING AND MUTUAL ACCOMODATION",  
"FURTHER ASEAN REGIONALISM AND TO PROMOTE CLEAR BI-LATERAL TIES".  
NOT SURPRISINGLY, ST STATED CONCERN WITH THE "RATHER LANGUID PACE  
OF IMPLEMENTATION" OF ECONOMIC ACCORDS REACHED AT BALI SUMMIT  
AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT ECONOMIC MINISTERS WOULD BE ABLE TO TAKE  
"A MAJOR STEP FORWARD" THIS WEEK IN MANILA BY REACHING AGREEMENT  
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ON PREFERENTIAL TRADING ARRANGEMENTS.

2. AS WE SUSPECTED (REFTEL), FUTURE OF U.S. MILITARY BASES  
IN PHILIPPINES IS VERY MUCH ON MINDS NOT ONLY OF GOS BUT ALSO  
OF THINKING SINGAPOREANS, INCLUDING PROBABLE AUTHOR OF ST PIECE,  
K.C. GOH, SON OF DEFENSE MINISTER GOH KENG SWEE. WHILE ST  
EDITORIAL INDEED REFERRED TO THE POSSIBLE UTILITY TO THE

GOP OF SINGAPORE'S EXPERIENCE IN CONVERTING THE FORMER BRITISH  
NAVAL BASE HERE TO AN ECONOMIC PURPOSE, THE EMPHASIS IS ON  
LEE'S AND MARCOS' ALLEGED SHARED PERCEPTION THAT "THE LONG  
RUN SAFETY OF NON-COMMUNIST COUNTRIES IN EAST AND SOUTHEAST  
ASIA MUST SUFFER IF THE U.S. IS TO EFFECT A STRATEGIC MILITARY  
WITHDRAWAL". "IN THIS RESPECT", EDITORIAL CONCLUDED ON A RATHER  
AMBIGUOUS NOTE, "A SIMILAR APPROACH TOWARDS THE NEW CARTER  
ADMINISTRATION MAY BE IN THE OFFING". HOLDRIDGE

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